

Score Point: 4

This response reflects proficiency in expository writing skills. The writer selects Italy as a place to visit and cites key reasons to explain this choice (its tourist sites, its peaceful atmosphere, and its food). The reasons are evenly illustrated. An adequate organizational plan is employed. The response contains sophisticated sentence structure and word choice (exquisite art, their dishes are hearty, and they drink sparingly). However, further development is required for a higher score.